

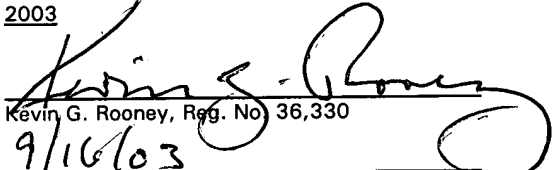
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

MS Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

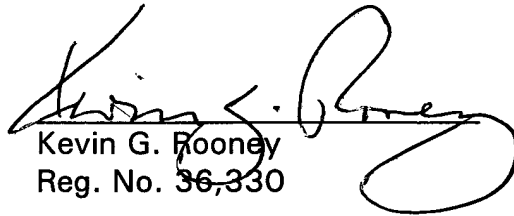
In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on August 27, 2003, enclosed is an Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement to replace the one originally filed on August 18, 2003. In the

Amendment and Response filed herewith, the listing of all claims have been included.

Applicant does not believe that any fees are due in connection with this response. However, if such petition is due or any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

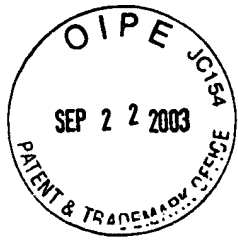
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.